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This is a request for filing a  continuation  divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior international application Number PCT/SE99/02403, filed on 2/17/99 entitled LOADING COMPARTMENT

which designated the United States.

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			Total =		\$ 710.00

1. Enclosed are the specification, claims and drawing(s).
  2.  Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
  3.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501458. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
  
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  4.  A check in the amount of \$ 710.00 is enclosed.
  5.  Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
  6.  Application Data Sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.
  7.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a  continuation  
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8.  A declaration under 37 CFR 1.63 is enclosed. (unexecuted)
9.  Priority of foreign application number 9804389-6, filed on 12/17/98 in Sweden  
is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).
- The certified copy is enclosed.
10.  A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
11.  Also enclosed: Information Disclosure Statement, Express Mail Cert., and Return Postcard  
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- Assignee of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
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- Filed under 37 CFR 1.34(a)  
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